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Identical letters dated 19 March 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a statistical summary of Israeli violations committed from 1 to 14 March 2009 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 15, and of the Security Council.

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Annex to the identical letters dated 19 March 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Israeli violations, acts of aggression and other activities from 1 to 14 March 2009, inclusive

Air violations

On 5 March 2009:

- Between 1000 and 1140 hours, six Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace. Four entered over the occupied Shab'a Farms and two over Aytarun. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving over the aforementioned Farms;
- Between 0700 and 1559 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and flying north. It circled over the regions of the South and left over Naqurah.

On 6 March 2009:

- Between 0007 and 0035 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea off Byblos and flying east as far as Baalbek. They circled over the regions of Baalbek, Byblos and Shikka before leaving over Aytarun;
- Between 1500 and 1535 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa and flying north as far as Shikka. They circled over Shikka, Byblos and the Bekaa before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b;
- At 0340 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa and flying north as far as Baalbek. It circled over the regions of Baalbek, the South and the Western Bekaa before leaving at 0247 hours on 7 March 2009 over Kafr Killa.

On 7 March 2009, between 0215 and 0645 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over the regions of the South and the Western Bekaa before leaving over Kafr Killa.

On 8 March 2009:

- Between 1100 and 1415 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and flying north. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah;
- Between 1940 and 2000 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, circling at high altitude over the Ra's al-Naqurah region.

On 9 March 2009, between 1150 and 1415 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and flying north. It circled over the South and the Western Bekaa before leaving over Rumaysh.

On 11 March 2009, between 0700 and 2120 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and flying towards Juniyah. It circled over the South and the Bekaa before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b.

On 12 March 2009:

- Between 0535 and 2050 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and flying north. It circled over the South before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b;
- Between 1000 and 1100 hours, four Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Aytarun and flying north. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b;
- Between 1152 and 1210 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving over Kafr Killa.

Sea violations

On 1 March 2009:

- At 2025 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for five seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters some 50 metres north of buoy No. 1;
- At 2258 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for five seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters.

On 2 March 2009, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight as follows:

- At 1950 hours, for five seconds, some 200 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters;
- At 2000 hours, for four seconds, some 100 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters between buoys Nos. 3 and 4.

On 6 March 2009:

- The Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters as follows:
  - At 0307 hours, for seven seconds, towards the north of the line of buoys some 500 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters;
  - At 0428 hours, for seven seconds, north of buoy No. 4 in the line of buoys, some 500 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters;
  - At 1810 hours, an Israeli enemy patrol boat was observed inside Lebanese territorial waters, four miles north of the line of buoys, nine miles west of Bayyadah. It left at 1830 hours.

On 8 March 2009:

- At 2314 hours, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight for five seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters around buoy No. 6 and in the direction of the Lebanese General Security position in Ra's al-Naqurah;

– At 2058 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for five seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters some 400 metres to the north of buoys Nos. 2 and 3. It repeated the exercise for 10 seconds at 2114 hours, targeting the same area.

On 9 March 2009, at 2117 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for five seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters some 400 metres to the north of buoys Nos. 1 and 2.

On 10 March 2009, at 2020 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for 12 seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters between the shore and buoy No. 1.

On 12 March 2009:

– At 1912 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for four seconds towards a Lebanese fishing boat that was north of buoy No. 2;

– At 2013 hours, an Israeli enemy military patrol boat directed a searchlight for 10 seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters to the north of buoy No. 7.

On 13 March 2009, at 1905 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for 10 seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters some 200 metres north of buoy No. 3.

On 14 March 2009, at 2130 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for five seconds towards Lebanese territorial waters some 500 metres north of buoy No. 3.

Acts of aggression in the field

On 8 March 2009:

– At 1220 hours, Israeli soldiers close to Kafr Killa verbally abused a Lebanese Armed Forces soldier at a Twelfth Brigade observation post. That soldier did not respond in any way;

– At 2210 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for five seconds towards Lebanese Armed Forces and Border Security positions. It did so again, for a further five seconds, at 2314 hours.

On 11 March 2009, at 1745 hours, at the Fatimah Gate, an Israeli enemy patrol in a Hummer jeep directed obscene verbal abuse at guards from the Lebanese Armed Forces Twelfth Mechanized Brigade who were in position at the Gate. The incident was witnessed by a Spanish Battalion patrol that had stopped at the position.

On 12 March 2009, at 1640 hours, when an Israeli enemy patrol comprising two Hummer jeeps was passing the Fatimah Gate, an element got out of the second vehicle and directed obscene verbal abuse at three young Lebanese girls on the Lebanese side of the border. The incident took place in the hearing of a United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon Spanish Battalion patrol that had stopped at the position.